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"AN ACT CONCERNING RESIDENTIAL RETAIL HEATING OIL AND PROPANE CONTRACTS."

- After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and internal references accordingly:
- 3 "Sec. 501. Section 42-158aa of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective January 1, 2010, and
- 5 applicable to all contracts entered into on and after said date):
- 6 (a) No provision of a contract for refuse removal or disposal which 7 states that the term of such contract shall be deemed renewed for a
- 8 [specified additional] period of time in excess of one year shall be

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9 enforceable unless the person against whom such provision is to be 10 enforced initialed or signed a conspicuous statement immediately 11 following such provision, stating, in boldface type at least twelve 12 points in size: "I acknowledge that this contract contains an 13 AUTOMATIC RENEWAL provision.", and within ninety days of the 14 expiration of the term of such contract, the recipient of such refuse removal or disposal services is (1) mailed or delivered a notice by the 15 16 refuse removal company to the authorized representative of the person 17 against whom such contract provision is to be enforced, notifying them 18 of such renewal, and (2) within thirty days of such mailing or delivery, 19 the person against whom such provision is to be enforced provides a 20 written statement to the refuse removal or disposal services company 21 that he or she does not intend to renew the contract. The provisions of 22 this subsection only apply to written contracts for refuse removal or 23 <u>disposal</u> and [shall also apply] to contracts meeting the requirements 24 of the Connecticut Uniform Electronic Transactions Act, sections 1-266 to 1-286, inclusive, for refuse removal or disposal. 25

(b) The provisions of this section shall not apply to: (1) [Any] An initial contract with a term not exceeding twelve months that contains a renewal contract with a specific length of time, and the person against whom such provision is to be enforced has initialed or signed a conspicuous statement immediately following such provision, stating in bold face type at least twelve points in size: "I acknowledge that this contract contains an AUTOMATIC RENEWAL provision.", (2) any contract in which the automatic renewal period specified is thirty-one days or less and can be cancelled at any time without penalty or damages, or [(2)] (3) a written contract subject to the provisions of section 42-126b."

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